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MEMORANDUM FOR THE INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

SUBJECT: Release of NIE 100-3-56, "Sino-Soviet Policy and Its Probable Effects on Underdeveloped Areas," to Foreign Governments

1. The Board of National Estimates has reviewed NIE 100-3-56 with a view to its release to foreign governments and regards the following considerations as relevant:

a. In general, the IAC has released estimates bearing on the capabilities and probable policies of the Sino-Soviet Bloc. At least the great bulk of the so-called "10 Series: Soviet Bloc" estimates published in 1955 (See IAC-D-45/63, 27 February 1956) and thus far in 1956 have been released [REDACTED]

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Moreover, the Biweekly Report prepared by the Working Group on Sino-Soviet Economic Activities in Underdeveloped Areas of the Economic Intelligence Committee of the IAC, is regularly distributed [REDACTED]

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b. From the standpoint of reciprocity, [REDACTED]

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c. The estimate refers to no specific intelligence sources, and does not compromise any NOFORN material for which this Agency is responsible.

d. With respect to content otherwise, there does not appear to be any general objection to the release of this estimate.

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On the basis of the above considerations, and subject to review by other agencies of the issue of compromise of NOFORN materials, the Board perceives no objection from an intelligence viewpoint to the release of this estimate [REDACTED] and recommends such release.

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